# ARIZONA STATE BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY

# **OPEN SESSION MINUTES**

# July 10, 2006

Members of the Arizona State Board of Accountancy held a meeting at 8:17 a.m. on Monday, July 10, 2006 at the Accountancy Board Office in Suite 165, 100 N. 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona. An Executive Session was held, from 9:05 a.m. to 10:19 a.m.

## **BOARD MEMBERS:**

Earl R. Shivers, CPA	President
Marianne E. DeVries, CPA	
Patrick J. Ramirez	
Donald R. Bays, CPA	
^ Frank J. Brady, CPA	
Samuel L. Fogleman, CPA	
^ James E. May	

<sup>^</sup> Absent

#### **OTHERS PRESENT:**

	Valerie M. Elliott	Executive Director
	Jim Dubé	Deputy Director
	Seth T. Hargraves, Esq	
*	H. Leslie Hall, Esq	
	Yolanda M. Barajas	
	Leslie R. Reed	

<sup>\*</sup> Present from 8:25 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

The meeting was called to order at 8:17 a.m. by Earl R. Shivers, President. The following order of business was then considered:

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#### **CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

No one wished to address the Board.

#### **MINUTES**

# June 12, 2006 Board Meeting

A motion was made by Donald R. Bays, seconded by Samuel L. Fogleman and passed to approve the Open Session Minutes from the June 12, 2006 Board meeting.

A motion was made by Donald R. Bays, seconded by Samuel L. Fogleman and passed to approve the Executive Session Minutes from the June 12, 2006 Board meeting.

#### **DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

Donald R. Bays, CPA declared conflicts on File Nos. 2006.097, 2006.098 and 2006.099.

#### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Valerie M. Elliott, Executive Director, gave an update to the Board on the budget, performance measurements and agency operations.

#### DISCUSSION OF ITEMS TO BE PLACED ON FUTURE MEETING AGENDA

Ms. Elliott also discussed topics that will be on the annual meeting agenda.

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Earl R. Shivers, Board President thanked Donald R. Bays for a job well done as President of the Board for the 2006 fiscal year.

A motion was made by Marianne E. DeVries, seconded by Samuel L. Fogleman and passed to go into Executive Session at 9:05 a.m. to seek legal advice and review confidential material pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2)(3) and (4).

After consideration in Executive Session, the Board reconvened in Open Session at 10:19 a.m.

#### COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS – COMPLAINT/INITIAL ANALYSIS FILES

#### File No. 2006.040

A motion was made by Patrick J. Ramirez, seconded by Marianne E. DeVries and passed to accept the Tax Practice Committee's recommendation to open an investigation file.

#### File No. 2006.055

A motion was made by Patrick J. Ramirez, seconded by Marianne E. DeVries and passed to accept the Accounting and Auditing Standards Committee's recommendation to open an investigation file.

#### File No. 2006.057

A motion was made by Patrick J. Ramirez, seconded by Marianne E. DeVries and passed to remand the file back to the Committee for further investigation and to review audit work papers.

A second motion was made by J. Ramirez, seconded by Marianne E. DeVries and passed to open an investigation file.

Donald R. Bays declared a conflict and did not vote.

#### File No. 2006.060

A motion was made by Patrick J. Ramirez, seconded by Marianne E. DeVries and passed to accept the Tax Practice Committee's recommendation to open an investigation file.

#### File No. 2006.074

A motion was made by Patrick J. Ramirez, seconded by Marianne E. DeVries and passed to accept the Tax Practice Committee's recommendation to close the complaint file.

# File No. 2006.076

A motion was made by Patrick J. Ramirez, seconded by Marianne E. DeVries and passed to accept the Accounting and Auditing Standards Committee's recommendation to open an investigation file.

Donald R. Bays declared a conflict and did not vote.

#### File No. 2006.077

A motion was made by Patrick J. Ramirez, seconded by Marianne E. DeVries and passed to accept the Accounting and Auditing Standards Committee's recommendation to issue an Administrative Letter of Concern and close the file.

#### File No. 2006.082

A motion was made by Patrick J. Ramirez, seconded by Marianne E. DeVries and passed to accept the Tax Practice Committee's recommendation to open an investigation file.

#### File No. 2006.083

A motion was made by Patrick J. Ramirez, seconded by Marianne E. DeVries and passed to accept the Tax Practice Committee's recommendation to close the complaint file.

#### File No. 2006.085

A motion was made by Patrick J. Ramirez, seconded by Marianne E. DeVries and passed to accept the Tax Practice Committee's recommendation to open an investigation file and reassign the file to the Accounting and Auditing Standards Committee for further investigation.

#### File No. 2006.086

A motion was made by Patrick J. Ramirez, seconded by Marianne E. DeVries and passed to accept the Tax Practice Committee's recommendation to close the complaint file.

# File No. 2006.087

# File No. 2006.088

A motion was made by Patrick J. Ramirez, seconded by Marianne E. DeVries and passed to open investigation files, combine the files into one investigation and remand the files back to the Committee for further investigation.

#### File No. 2006.090

A motion was made by Patrick J. Ramirez, seconded by Marianne E. DeVries and passed to accept the Tax Practice Committee's recommendation to open an investigation file.

#### File No. 2006.091

A motion was made by Patrick J. Ramirez, seconded by Marianne E. DeVries and passed to accept the Tax Practice Committee's recommendation to close the complaint file.

#### File No. 2006.100

A motion was made by Patrick J. Ramirez, seconded by Marianne E. DeVries and passed to accept the Tax Practice Committee's recommendation to close the complaint file.

#### File No. 2006.103

A motion was made by Patrick J. Ramirez, seconded by Marianne E. DeVries and passed to accept the Tax Practice Committee's recommendation to open an investigation file.

#### **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS – INVESTIGATION FILES**

#### File No. 2006.026

A motion was made by Patrick J. Ramirez, seconded by Marianne E. DeVries and passed to accept the Tax Practice Committee's recommendation to offer the Decision and Order (by Consent) for Relinquishment of the registrant's certificate and, if not accepted within 30 days, to file a Complaint and Notice of Hearing for revocation of the registrant's certificate.

#### File No. 2006.067

A motion was made by Patrick J. Ramirez, seconded by Marianne E. DeVries and passed to accept the Accounting and Auditing Standards Committee's recommendation to offer the Decision and Order (by Consent) for Relinquishment of the registrant's certificate and, if not accepted within 30 days, to file a Complaint and Notice of Hearing for revocation of the registrant's certificate.

## NOTICES OF UNLAWFUL USE OF THE CPA DESIGNATION

#### File No. 2006.093

A motion was made by Patrick J. Ramirez, seconded by Marianne E. DeVries and passed to direct the Assistant Attorney General to file an injunction in Superior Court for the unlawful use of the CPA designation.

#### File No. 2006.094

A motion was made by Patrick J. Ramirez, seconded by Marianne E. DeVries and passed to accept the response and close the file.

#### File No. 2006.096

A motion was made by Patrick J. Ramirez, seconded by Marianne E. DeVries and passed to accept the response and close the file.

#### ITEMS FOR BOARD REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND LEGAL ACTION

# **Compliance with Board Order**

File No. 2005.068; Sheline, Calvin

A motion was made by Donald R. Bays, seconded by Samuel L. Fogleman and passed to submit the Order to the Attorney General's Office for collection of investigation costs.

# **Termination of Decision and Order (By Consent)**

File Nos. 1998.020 & 1995.027; Cho, William

A motion was made by Donald R. Bays, seconded by Samuel L. Fogleman and passed to defer action until final affidavit is received.

#### File No. 2005.074; Westergard, Robert

A motion was made by Donald R. Bays, seconded by Marianne E. DeVries and passed to terminate the Consent Order and close the file.

# <u>Issues from and regarding the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA)</u>

CBT Contract

A motion was made by Patrick J. Ramirez, seconded by Samuel L. Fogleman and passed to direct staff to write a letter to David A. Costello to provide the CBT data within 30 days and if necessary to invite Mr. Costello to the August Annual Meeting.

# Accounting and Auditing Standards Committee Recommendation

#### Brian R. Lee 6754-E

A motion was made by Donald R. Bays, seconded by Marianne E. DeVries and passed to accept the Accounting & Auditing Standards Committee's recommendation to approve the appointment of Brian R. Lee to a five year term on the Accounting & Auditing Standards Committee.

#### **Recommendations of Law Review Advisory Committee**

The Committee recommended that the Board approve to review R4-1-455

A motion was made by Donald R. Bays, seconded by Marianne E. DeVries and passed to accept the Law Review Advisory Committee's recommendation to review and consider draft language for R4-1-455 – R4-1-455.04.

# The Committee recommended that the Board approve to abolish the 8<sup>th</sup> seat on the Committee

A motion was made by Marianne E. DeVries, seconded by Samuel L. Fogleman and passed to abolish the eighth seat on the Law Review Advisory Committee.

#### Federation of Association of Regulatory Boards - Attorney Certification Seminar

A motion was made by Donald R. Bays, seconded by Marianne E. DeVries and passed to approve the Assistant Attorney General, Seth T. Hargraves to travel and attend the Federation of Association of Regulatory Boards – Attorney Certification Seminar on October 6 - 8, 2006, in Seattle, Washington.

#### Rulemaking - Certification and Self-Reporting

R4-1-341, R4-1-341.01, R4-1-342, R4-1-343, R4-1-344 and R4-1-456

A motion was made by Marianne E. DeVries, seconded by Donald R. Bays and passed to close the rulemaking for certification and self-reporting and submit the proposed rules to the Governor's Regulatory Review Counsel for approval.

# Request for Review of Firm Compliance - A.A.C. R4-1-455.03(D)(2):

Abbott & Company Ltd 31-C

A motion was made by Samuel L. Fogleman, seconded by Patrick J. Ramirez and passed to decline the firm's request for a review of firm compliance and to notify the firm that they must comply with A.A.C. R4–1-455.03 (D)(2).

# Request for inactive status - A.R.S. § 32-730

Sue E. Bai	<u> 7870-E</u>
Mark Charles Walker	4497-R
Patrick B. Sloan	5249-E

A motion was made by Samuel L. Fogleman, seconded by Marianne E. DeVries and passed to approve the requests for inactive status.

# **Establishment of Executive Director Performance Policy subcommittee**

A motion was made by Marianne E. DeVries, seconded by Samuel L. Fogleman and passed to approve the establishment of an Executive Director Performance Policy subcommittee and to elect James E. May as the Chairperson and Earl R. Shivers and Donald R. Bays as members to serve on the subcommittee.

# Requests received by June 30, 2006 for Extension of time to meet Peer Review Requirements - A.A.C. R4-1-454

Martin, Joseph A., CPA, PC 2130-C

A motion was made by Samuel L. Fogleman, seconded by Marianne E. DeVries and passed to grant his request for an extension.

A motion was made by Samuel L. Fogleman, seconded by Marianne E. DeVries and passed to defer action on the following action items 13-k, I and m:

# Requests for Extension of time to meet Peer Review Requirements, Deferred by Peer Review Oversight Advisory Committee due to failure to show good cause-A.A.C. R4-1-454

i. The Committee recommended the following firms be deferred due to lack of valid reason:

Mizer, Robert T. CPA, PLLC	2471-L	Oliver, Douglas W., CPA	5604-S
Heisey, Gregory L., CPA, PC	166-C	Pagel, Inga A., CPA	4889-S
Kaplan, Daniel F., CPA, PC	2274-C	Queen, Katherine M., CPA	4299-S

ii. The Committee recommended the following firms be deferred due to lack of engagement letter:

Hartman, Donald, CPA, PC 2236-C Jurgens, William M., CPA 4161-S Playsity, Ann, PC 2455-C

iii. The Committee recommended the following firms be deferred due to lack of final peer review report:

Fessinger, Hal Jerome	4090-S
Pearce, Gray & Co., PLC	2352-C
Wendtland & Associates, PC	2048-C

# Requests received by June 30, 2006 for Extension of time to meet Peer Review Requirements - A.A.C. R4-1-454

2457-L
2452-C
772-C
2084-C
4871-S
5629-S
5171-S

# Requests received after June 30, 2006 for Extension of time to meet Peer Review Requirements - A.A.C. R4-1-454

Capirchio, Craig C., Ltd 2023-C Groll, Robert Hardy, CPA 4114-S

## Status of firm compliance with A.A.C. R4-1-454 Peer Review Requirements

A motion was made by Samuel L. Fogleman, seconded by Marianne E. DeVries and passed to invite Gary Wood, CPA, Chairperson of the Peer Review Advisory Committee to the July 31, Board meeting, and direct staff to mail out letters to the firms that have failed to meet the peer review requirements, and grant them 30 days to respond to the letter. The motion included directing staff to have the firms contact the Arizona Society of Certified Public Accountants (ASCPA) regarding question about the AICPA peer review program.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

(The Board may pull any of the following items off the consent agenda and take individual action) Board discussion and legal action on the following items:

A motion was made by Donald R. Bays, seconded by Marianne E. DeVries and passed to accept the following consent agenda:

a. Recommended for Registration of Professional Corporation for the following Applicants (Meets the requirements of A.R.S. § 32-734):

Michael J. Balanda PC Katherine C. White CPA PC

Shareholder: Michael J. Balanda 4418-E Shareholder: Katherine C. White 13331-E

Khan, Woods & Dwyer PC Scott R. Crosby CPA Ltd

Shareholders: A. K. Khan 11183-R
Shareholder: Scott R. Crosby 12984-E

Thomas Ross Woods, Jr 4661-E

b. Recommended for Registration of LLC/PLLC/LLP's for the following Applicants - (Meets the requirements of A.R.S. § 32-735):

JS Financial Consulting LLC Gregory L. Perry CPA LLC

Shareholder: Shauna L Beyer 13726-E Shareholder: Gregory L. Perry 9337-E

Paul M. Schwark, CPA PLLC Christina R. Gingold CPA PLLC

Shareholder: Paul M. Schwark 194-E Shareholder: Christina R. Gingold 11329-E

Eversole Accounting Services PLLC Shelley International LLC

Shareholder: Shelly K. Eversole 11163-E Shareholder: Mark Shelley 3115-e

c. Recommended for Firm Name Change:

Mary Susan Dwyer 6476-E

Braun PC Braun PC, CPA Firm Shareholder: David H. Braun	714-C 1474-E	Mark R. Geretti CPA PLLC Mark R. Geretti CPA Shareholder: Mark R. Geretti	2681-P 8092-E
Cypert & Scherrer PLC Cypert & Associates PLC Shareholder: Michael C. Scherrer Lance H. Cypert	2379-L 2623-E 2653-R	Jeanne R. Kennedy PLLC Affordable Accounting & Tax Services PLLC Shareholder: Jeanne R. Kennedy	2597-L 10772-E

Holdsworth & Larson CPA's PLLC Holdsworth, Larson & Strasser

CPA's PLLC 2696-L

Shareholder:

Matthew L. Holdsworth 12549-E Charles R. Larson 12238-R

d. Requests for Firm Cancellation - Do not wish to renew:

Hein & Associates LLP 2460-B Eugene M. Moore CPA PC 1087-C

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e. Recommended for Cancellation of Certificate per registrant's request not to renew:

Gregory J. Applen	14064-R	Barbara Keegan Kasprzak	8568-E
Nancy E. Shelmon	4623-R	Jerome R. Small	2238-R
Sheila L. Spratt	10688-R	Kathryn Lynn Wehmeier	6861-E

Ralph K. Brooks 5502-R

f. Recommended for Reissuance of Certificate because of Name Change:

Erin Castelhano (Fitzpatrick)	13944-E	Kari L. Bolar (Enns)	6885-E
Karla Jean Jorgensen (Jorgensen-Carroll)	5613-E	Thomas Andrew Stokes (T. Andrew Stokes)	2646-E
Kenda R. Master (Rice)	10512-E	Diane G. Gomez (Hewlett)	12247-E
Jessica A. Jurkowich (Aldulaimi)	12087-E		

g. Recommended for Reactivation of Certificate from Inactive Status - A.R.S. §32-730(E):

Robert DiPierro 3563-E

h. Recommendation of the Certification Committee for approval of Certification by

Examination - A.R.S. §32-721:

Steven M. Dotson Gary Robert Howard

Marco A. Leon Nathan Smith
John Markum Warren Leslie Wilson

i. Recommendation of the Certification Committee for approval of Certification by

Reciprocity - A.R.S. §32-724:

Barbara D. Andres – California Chrystal K. Rauschkolb – California

Jiying Spencer – Virginia David Morgan Thayer – California

Wei Hong Wang – California Mark Frederick Willie – California

j. Recommendation of the Certification Committee for approval of Certification by Reciprocity based on Substantial Equivalency - A.R.S. § 32-726(B):

Ronald L. Bodie – Illinois Daniel R. Boncel – Wisconsin

Lori L. Conard – Iowa Miriah Jane Harper – Pennsylvania

Wendy J. Henry – Nevada Jarret A. Judson – Iowa

Joseph R. Poland – Pennsylvania Angela M. Santucci – Pennsylvania

David Scott Schaefer - Illinois Cathy Shonce-Kolic - Ohio Mark W. Stevens - Missouri Scott E. Sunday - Indiana

Yukon M. Tomisato - North Carolina Mary E. Vandenberg - Indiana

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Michael Sean Vicente - Missouri

Brian L. Wagner - Illinois

Lisa Stevens Woodside - Ohio

k. Recommendation of the Certification Committee for approval of Examination

Candidates for the Uniform CPA Exam - A.R.S. § 32-723:

Emily J. Adamson John David Anderson

Linda K. Ballard Elizabeth Marie Barber

Ike David Braden Tiffany E. Clure

Scott Thomas Cook Roman Petar Curko
Bryan R. Davis Cassandra S. Davis

Keeley K. Dayton Oscar Delgado

Risa Furusawa Paul Dylan Garcia
Christopher Robin Hatch Andria Rose Hegle
Donald Robert Ignace Allison Lynn Ihle

Syed Ali Murtaza Jaffrey Tyler Grant Jones

Richard Colin Keyt Christopher Louis Kresge
Rachel A. Langhofer Russ Alexander Levine
Lori Carol Ludke-Borgen David William McCarthy

Margot Ann Magnum Connie Jiron Mudd

Mohamed Mahmoud Omar Makram Anne Marie Ortiz

Joseph Scott Palfreeman David Hyatt Parry

Kelly Ann Peck Kimberly L. Rains

Maria Emma Sneddon Christopher Tenney Solomon

Stephen Andrew Soter Kelli Lynn Wallace

Ryan Michael Watkins Phillip Reino Wuollet

I. Recommendation of the Certification Committee for approval of Certification by Grade

Transfer - A.R.S. §32-721:

Thomas Kent Farr – California Brent Tolman Wuehler - California

m. Recommendation of the Peer Review Advisory Committee for approval on the following firms in compliance with A.A.C. R4-1-454:

Berry, Russell B. Jr 750-C Husk, Ricky L. 5087-S

Blake, Gregory PC 582-C Kayal, Albert S., CPA 4775-S

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Brown, Laurel F. 4506-S	Leonard, William R. 4900-S
Bunch, Timothy J., CPA 5601-S	Naylor, John H, CPA 789-C
Clark, P.L., CPA 5196-S	Pereboom, Victor R., CPA PC 2275- C
Clifton Gunderson LLP 2355-B	Repovsch, Gary R., CPA PC 574-C
Cogan, Terry B. CPA 5088-S	Russell, Robert CPA 4675-S
Drynan, Doug CPA 5689-S	Sandhaus & Company CPA'S 2342-C
Fissell & Fissell PC 2064-C	Silcox, Norman R., CPA 4345-S
Gaughan & Nahom PLC 878-L	Telfer, Marie Annette PC 2263-C
O'Dell, Troy D. CPA PLC 2663-L	Rogers, N. Terryl & CO 308-C

#### **SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS**

# DISCUSSION OF ITEMS TO BE PLACED ON FUTURE MEETING AGENDA

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, a motion was made by Samuel L. Fogleman, seconded by Patrick J. Ramirez and passed to adjourn at 11:25 a.m.

Earl R. Shivers, CPA, President
Marianne E. DeVries, CPA, Treasurer
Patrick J. Ramirez, Secretary
Donald R. Bays, CPA Member
Samuel L. Fogleman, CPA Member